

COMMUNICATED.

Resolutions of the Meeting at High Shoals, N. C.
ANTI-SUBMISSION CANDIDATE AND PLATFORM.

At a very large meeting of the people of Rutherford, who are opposed to submitting to Black Republican rule without additional constitutional guarantees of protection to Southern rights, held in the Court House, in Rutherfordton, on Monday 12th inst., MCCLATCHY D. HAM was unanimously selected as a candidate to represent (in part) Rutherford and Polk Counties in the State Convention shortly to be held—one candidate only having been selected, because Polk County was not represented—and the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted, as embodying the views of the meeting; at the same time they are intended as a guide for his action in the Convention, if elected:

Whereas, we have been trained from early life to love and revere the Union—as the ark of our political and religious liberty—to consider our country an asylum for the oppressed of every clime; and that the successful operation of our Government has been an invitation to the oppressed and down-trodden nations of the world to make an effort at freedom, furnishing them, at the same time, an encouraging example, and a sure guide.

Resolved, 1st. That we look upon the destruction of the present Union as the greatest calamity which has ever taken place in the political world.

Resolved, 2d. That while we have no disposition to apologize for, or excuse Southern secessionists who, for selfish ends, have been active in bringing about the present unhappy state of affairs in our country, there can be no doubt that the principal cause of our country's trouble is a disposition on the part of the North to deny to the South what we consider our just rights under the Constitution.

Resolved, 3d. That we are unworthy of our founders, and a degenerate race if we are willing to submit to a sectional rule which ignores our Constitutional rights; and that we will not do so; but before despairing of being able to reconstruct the Union and make a permanent settlement of the slavery question we will await a reasonable time to see if the North is willing to acknowledge our rights.

Resolved, 4. That while we are opposed to asking more than an honorable people may grant, we are determined to take no less than just men may ask.

Resolved, 5. That we would half with delight, evidence from the North, that they are willing to make a settlement of the slaves' question on a basis that will satisfy and bring back the seceding States into the Union; but if the rupture is final, and we must make a choice between the North, and the South, we say unhesitatingly that we will go with the South.

Resolved, 6. In view of the fact that it is impossible to foresee what important changes may take place before our State Convention may be called on to act, and having confidence in the patriotism, judgment and integrity of our delegates we do not desire to trammel them further than to give them the above general expression of our views and opinion.

G. MICHAEL J. C. MILLS, Secretaries.

Hardee's Tactics.

As this manual of military drill has superseded all others, the following card from Col. G. H. R. Rion, an accomplished officer, will at this time be interesting to the volunteer companies throughout the State.

At the request of some of my brother officers of the volunteer service, I publish my General rules for Hardee's facing, whether from a halt or while marching. These rules are without exceptions, and apply to the eight different filings and flankings, (three right, three left, two front). That they are correct in their result may be proven by a reference to Hardee, Nos. 352, 360, 365, 366, school of the soldier, and Nos. 130 and 149, school of the company.

In these rules, by "the head of the company," is meant that end composed of the taller men; and by "the foot of the company," that end composed of the shorter men. By the rear rank, I mean, of course, that rank which is behind the other, according as the company is faced to the front or to the rear.

Rules for dubbing, [after facing to either flank.]

1st. The rear rank takes a side step from the front rank.

2d. If the head of the company is in front, Nos. 1 stands fast, and Nos. 2 take an oblique step in the same direction in which the rear rank has taken the side step.

But if the rear rank is behind Nos. 2 stand fast, and Nos. 1 take an oblique step in the same direction in which the rear rank has taken the side step.

Rules for undubbing, [after facing to either front.]

1st. If Nos. 1 are behind Nos. 2, I undub by taking an oblique step towards the head of the company.

But if Nos. 2 are behind Nos. 1, Nos. 2 undub by taking an oblique step towards the foot of the company.

2. The rear rank closes up on the front rank.

By the rules above given all perplexity arising from the same Nos. have to step to the right at one time, and to the left at another, is obviated. By experience I have found that the men readily comprehend these rules.

In forming fours the fours should always dress by the man on the side where the first front was.

JAMES H. RION.

NASHVILLE, February 16.—There are indications that the aggregate majority in this state will be 50,000 for Union, and 20,000 again calling a Convention. Only two secessionists were elected.

INAUGURATED ON HIS BIRTHDAY. The Hon. Alexander Hamilton Stephens was born on the 11th of February, 1812, and was consequently 49 years of age on the day he took the oath as first Vice-President of the Confederate States of America.

SKATING IN NEW YORK.—The ice in the Central Park in New York city was, on Saturday, visited by ninety thousand persons, the largest number at one time this season. Nearly four thousand vehicles were on the drive, and the greatest excitement prevailed.

What has been done at Fort Pickens.
Correspondence by the Supply.

NAVY YARD, WASHINGTON, D. C.

Monday, Jan. 14, 1861.

I propose giving to your readers a statement of facts in reference to recent events connected with the Navy Yard here, and the facts that protect and command the entrance of this harbor. At such times as these, facts that exhibit prominent political movements are interesting, even if they are not from the pen of a ready writer.

Upon the right hand of the entrance of the Bay of Pensacola stands Fort Pickens, upon the left is Fort McRee, and upon the same shore with the latter, one mile and a quarter further up, from the bay, is Fort Barrancas. These fortifications are equidistant from each other, and so situated as to completely command the entrance to the harbor. Fort Pickens is an admirably constructed fortification at the extremity of a long, shadowy spit that separates the bay from the gulf for some distance, and the fort is so situated as easily to command the entrances to the bay completely. It is approachable by land only along the narrow neck mentioned above, and its defences are arranged so that even a small force may defend against vastly superior numbers.

Fort McRee is rather a dilapidated concern, but is nevertheless a strong waterbattery. Fort Barrancas is well built, and a powerful defense of the entrance of the harbor, but neither its construction nor position is adapted to resist a strong and attack.

These three large fortifications, with all their guns, ammunitions, &c., were in charge of a single company of artillery, under the command at present of Lieut. A. J. Slempner.

The Navy-Yard is situated upon the same shore of the bay with the Forts McRee and Barrancas, about one and a half miles above the latter. It was under command of Commodore James Armstrong.

The last officers in rank was Commander Elmer Ellsworth. The disposable force of the yard consists of about seventy sailors or ordinary men, as they are termed, and forty-five marines, under command of Capt. James Watson; there was also at the yard, subject to the command of Commander Armstrong, the Unit St. tess ship's Supply, with two thirty-pounders and thirty-eight men, and the steamer Wyandotte, with six thirty-twos and eighty men.

For a number of days rumors had been in circulation of an intention, on the part of Florida and Alabama, to take possession of the Navy-Yard and forts at this point. On the night of the 11th, Lieut. Slempner stationed a guard at Fort Barrancas. On the morning of the 12th he received orders from the War Department, requiring him to use every means in his power to keep control of the entrance to the harbor. He was also informed, at the same time, that the Commander of the Navy Yard would be directed to co-operate with him.

On consultation with Commodore Armstrong, and the promise of a salute from him, Lieut. Slempner decided on remaining at once into Fort Pickens, that post being the most tenable position, and where he could more nearly obey the spirit of his instructions. The matter being decided upon, the army officers went to work with a will, and during the next twenty-four hours their entire force, with all the provisions, camp equipage, &c., into the fort, and by the seizure of all ships then in the harbor of Savannah belonging to the citizens of the State of New York. In obedience to this order, I am informed, that he has seized the following vessels, and will hold them subject to my order, to wit:

Barks Adjuster and D. C. Allen Murray, brig W. R. Kirby and Golden Leaf, and schooner John A. Hulick.

Since the name of these vessels was not known to me, I have resorted to a general search by your Excellency, in which you acknowledge the receipt of this dispatch, and in to you, all giving, as you are pleased to say, that certain arms had been removed in New York. You further say of my dispatch, that "its grave character and unusual form will render it difficult to give a demand or notice to without losing its impressiveness." Nevertheless, you say that you respond to me now, in "writing," concerning my respects, and "your affectionate regards."

JOS. E. BROWN.

To the above demand, I had received no response at 9 o'clock p.m., on Tuesday, the 5th day of this month. Feeling that your Excellency had sufficient time to transmit your police officers as to the character of the crime complained of, I communicated with you, and directed the delivery to Lieut. Slempner, of their property, or to vindicate your willingness to receive them. I trust no similar outrage may be perpetrated in future.

You will oblige by communicating your decision immediately by telegraph. Very respectfully yours, your obedient servant,

J. B. TOLLESON, C. C. P.

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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

In the Court of Common Pleas.

D. L. & L. TWITTY, } vs. Attachment.

E. M. LANE, } vs. Attachment.

Reed, Vernon & Duncan, ATTYS.

WHEREAS the plaintiff did, on the 16th day of January, 1861, sue for declaratory judgment against the defendant, who as it is said, is absent from this State, and has been so since the 25th day of October, 1860, and the defendant has not appeared to answer the plaintiff's claim, and the court has directed that the plaintiff be granted a default judgment.

It is therefore ordered, That the said defendant do appear and plead to the said declaratory judgment, or to file a written answer to the complaint of the plaintiff, and if he does not do so, then judgment will be given in his absence.

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